



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5

77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD

CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

JAN 13 2012

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Larry D. and Vickie A. Askins

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Cygnets, Ohio 43413

Mr. Jack L. Firsdon

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Wayne, Ohio 43466

Re: Citizen Petition for Withdrawal of Ohio CAFO NPDES Program

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Askins:

Dear Mr. Firsdon:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has received your November 9, 2011 petition to withdraw the approved National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program for concentrated animal feeding operations from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. EPA is currently reviewing your petition with the requirements outlined in 40 CFR 123.63(a). Upon completion of the review, our findings will be shared with you.

Thank you for your interest in protecting public health and water quality. If you have any questions, please contact Julianne Socha of my staff at 312-886-4436.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin M. Pierard".

Kevin M. Pierard, Chief
NPDES Program Branch